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Campaign to "Bridge" Academics, Athletics, and Alumni

The Marshall University Foundation joined university officials, students, athletes and alumni during Homecoming Weekend to launch its new campaign, "The Bridge," and to announce three upcoming construction projects on campus.

"The Bridge" is a united fund-raising effort to support academics, athletics and alumni through the building of new facilities. The goal for the campaign is to raise funds to construct the College of Information Technology and Engineering Lab facility, a new women's

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Participating in a representative groundbreaking for the engineering laboratory facility are Lauren Keller, freshman at Marshall; Dr. Tony Szwilski, Interim Dean of the College of Information Technology and Engineering; Dr. Sarah N. Denman, Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs; State Sen. Robert Plymale; President Stephen J. Kopp; Dr. Ron Area, CEO of the Marshall University Foundation; Dr. Joseph Touma, chair of the foundation's Board of Directors; and Marco.

Marshall Developing 'Google Earth' Campus

Marshall's Information Technology (IT) team members have created the beginnings of the Marshall University Google Earth 3-D campus, according to Dr. Jan I. Fox, senior vice president for Information Technology.

Google Earth is a mapping program that combines satellite imagery and aerial photographs with 3-D capability. Anyone with Internet access can explore a hometown, Rome or Marshall University.

Fox said Bethany Cremeans, Anna Banks and Hengdan Ge, armed with digital cameras, Adobe Photoshop and Google Sketchup, a 3-D computer modeling tool, have been working on the project.

"Marshall University is using a multitude of resources to attract the best and brightest from our nation and state," Fox said.

Geography professor Dr. James Leonard and James Wolfe with the Center for Environmental Geotechnical and Applied Sciences (CEGAS), also have provided input into the project. In addition to the 3-D drawings of buildings, each location includes a description as well as possible videos of what happens in that location.

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International Week Starts Nov. 11

Four events, including the 44th annual International Festival, are planned leading up to and during International Education Week Nov. 11-16 at Marshall University, Dr. Clark Egnor, executive director of the Center for International Programs, announced today.

International Education Week is a joint initiative of the U.S. Department of Education and the U.S. Department of State to promote international awareness and international education.

Marshall has 433 international students from 64 countries, which is a five percent increase over the fall 2006 enrollment, and almost double the number of international students at MU since 2000.

Here are events planned for International Education Week at Marshall:

- **44th annual International Festival:** 3 to 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 11, in the Memorial Student Center's Don Morris Room. The International Festival, with a theme this year of "Living in a Global Society," features exotic foods, traditional music and dance and displays representing more than 60 countries and cultures. Egnor said the

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Career Services Taps 3-Time Marshall Graduate

Denise Hogsett, a three-time Marshall graduate, is the new director of Career Services, Carla Lapelle, associate dean of student Affairs has announced.



Denise Hogsett

Hogsett assumed her duties in August.

She came to Marshall following an extensive career in health care, with her most recent experience being in human resources, management and marketing at Huntington Physical Therapy, where she worked for the past 15 years.

She received her undergraduate degree in 1976, her master's in communication disorders in 1977 and her executive MBA in 1995.

Hogsett said her major focus as Career Services director is connecting students with employers. "We

are here for the students. We want to make sure that the students know the opportunities that are available. We need to increase utilization of career services, not only for the students, but also for faculty and alumni."

Career Services has several opportunities coming up for students to learn about employment opportunities, according to Hogsett. Unless otherwise noted, all interviews will take place at the center, located at 1681 5th Ave. The center is open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Thursday and from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Fridays.

Lapelle said Career Services is a free service to Marshall students and alumni. The office can be contacted at ext. 62370 or by visiting the Web site at www.marshall.edu/career-services.

Annual Memorial Service Scheduled for Nov. 14



Marshall University's annual observance of the anniversary of the 1970 plane crash is scheduled to take place at noon on Wednesday, Nov. 14 at the Memorial Fountain on the Huntington campus.

Marshall Artists Series Presents 'Peter Pan'

Peter Pan, the story of the irrepressible boy who saw no need to grow up, takes flight on the stage of the Keith-Albee Performing Arts Center Tuesday, Nov. 6 at 7:30 p.m.

The musical, part of the Marshall Artists Series, is based on the novel and play by British author J.M. Barrie and brings to life the exciting and magical world of Peter Pan. The show is filled with hungry crocodiles, scheming pirates, the swashbuckling Captain Hook, the Lost Boys, and of course, Peter Pan, who wants to remain young forever.

Through music and dance the show follows the exploits of the sword-fighting, high-flying Peter

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'Passport to the Arts' Offers Discounts to Regional Arts Subscribers

The Marshall Artists Series, in conjunction with four other regional performance art series, has announced the release of the first *Passport to the Arts*. Offered to subscribers of arts series, *Passport to the Arts* is an opportunity to see arts events featured in the region.

The Passport provides subscribers with the opportunity to travel to Athens, Portsmouth and Gallipolis, Ohio, as well as to Ashland Kentucky to enjoy professional performing arts presentations for a 50 percent discount.

The offer provides a listing of the major performances featured by the Marshall Artist Series, the Ohio Valley Symphony, Ohio University Performing Arts, the Paramount Arts Center and the Southern Ohio Performing Arts Association. Subscribers who receive the *Passport to the Arts* can select a performance and call ahead to reserve tickets and pay half price for those tickets. When attending the performance, patrons can bring their individualized Passport and have it stamped at the door when tickets are picked up.

A variety of events are included in this first time offer, including music, dance, theatre, acrobatics and film. For more information, call ext. 63326 or visit the Web site www.marshall.edu/muartsr.

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Profile: Ed Dzierzak

A series on interesting Marshall University people.



Ed Dzierzak

Two of the things Ed Dzierzak liked best about Huntington when he moved here in the mid-1970s were the plentiful parking and the paltry rush hour traffic. As a native Chicagoan used to sitting in traffic for an hour or so each day to get anywhere, he's amused at people who complain about traffic jams that last "oh maybe five minutes or so."

Dzierzak, who is director of the Health Sciences Library for the School of Medicine, is marking his 31th year with Marshall this month. A graduate of Mundelein College, he moved to Huntington just prior to the opening of the Marshall's medical school and has worked in the Health Sciences Library for virtually his entire Marshall career.

With an undergraduate degree in communications, he was working in the library of a Veterans Administration center in Chicago with Dr. Maurice Mufson, who later left the center to accept the position of chair of the Department of Medicine at Marshall's soon-to-open medical school. Dzierzak, impressed with what he was hearing about the brand new facility, would soon follow Mufson to Marshall.

"I began work before the medical school actually opened, working with audio visuals. Before classes got underway we were located in a former nurses' residence at the VA Hospital in Spring Valley. About 1977 or so we moved to the basement of the Community College Building and since 1998 we've been in the Robert C. Byrd Center for Rural Health."

The Health Sciences Library is a resource area for anyone who needs medical information, he points out—medical students, faculty, staff, researchers, residents, as well as staff from the nearby Cabell Huntington Hospital who utilize the library's services. And although medical personnel and students are scattered at various locations throughout the Huntington campus, information and resources are readily available through the library. "We make up for the lack of multiple locations by providing services through the Marshall network," he says. "It is a well-used library, you can use it online but there are still many people who come in person to the library."

And he likes the cooperation between the Health Sciences Library and the Drinko Library. "We have a good relationship with the campus libraries; we work together a good bit sharing resources."

He's been with the library for his entire Marshall career except for a two-year period when he was a faculty member in the Lewis College of Business, teaching computer science classes. In 1983 he returned to the library, this time as the director, a position he's held ever since. And along

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festival emphasizes the pressing need for universities in the United States to prepare their students to live and work in a globalized world. The festival is open to the public and admission is free.

- **Festival of Flags:** More than 60 flags will be on display throughout November in the Memorial Student Center, Drinko Library and other buildings throughout the Huntington campus. The flags represent all of the countries and regions from where Marshall University draws international students or sends students to study abroad.
- **4th annual Study Abroad Expo:** 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 13 in the Memorial Student Center lobby. Applying for a passport is one of the many things visitors will be able to do at the Study Abroad Expo. More than 20 study abroad providers are expected to take part in the fair. MU students and faculty will have the opportunity to discuss the programs directly with the providers, apply for a passport and get assistance with immunizations. One \$250 travel certificate, two \$500 study abroad scholarships and other prizes will be given away at the fair.
- **"Internationalizing the Curriculum: A panel of recipients of the international innovation grants:"** Wednesday, Nov. 14. Faculty members will discuss the creative ways they are internationalizing the curriculum at Marshall with grants they received from the Center for International Programs and the Center for the Advancement of Teaching and Learning. Panel members are Dr. Laura Wyant, Dr. Carlos Lopez, Dr. Michael Newsome, Dr. Charles Hossler and Dr. Shortie McKinney. The presentation will take place from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. in Marco's in the Student Center basement.

For more information on International Education Week events at Marshall, contact Egnor at (304) 696-2465, or via e-mail at egnor3@marshall.edu.

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who charms the Darling children into following him to his enchanted home. There the children meet the unforgettable Lost Boys, Tinkerbell, Captain Hook, Tiger Lily and many others who show them a life of adventure, danger, and ultimately friendship.

The production features an array of special stage effects, including a flying Peter Pan, and playful musical numbers accompanied by a live orchestra.

For more information contact the Marshall Artists Series box office at ext. 66656 or visit their Web site at www.marshall.edu/muartser.

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the way he earned a master's degree in Library Science from the University of Kentucky.

Dzierzak met his wife, Debbie Stivers, in Chicago. The couple was married in the Marshall Campus Christian Center shortly after he accepted his new position. Their son, Jan just graduated from Marshall in August with a degree in Parks and Recreation and son Jamie is pursuing a degree in Environmental Science from Marshall as well.

Both Jan and Jamie are avid Boy Scouts and their interest led to the involvement of their parents, who remain active in Scouting today. The Dzierzaks enjoy outdoor activities, so scouting is a natural for this active family. Ed has been a scoutmaster for the past 10 years and Debbie has been chair of the troop committee that handles organizational matters for their troop, which is sponsored by the Bates Presbyterian Church. And their sons, both Eagle Scouts, have remained active as adults as well.

"We've done a lot of camping and traveling with the troop," Ed says. "Every two years we take about 16 scouts and 8 adults to the Philmont Scout Ranch in northern New Mexico where we spend two weeks backpacking and hiking in the mountains. It's a wonderful experience for the boys and it is so well organized...The various camps have themes, which keeps things interesting. For example there's one on homesteading in New Mexico, where you relive what life was back then, and another one is all about black powder rifles which the western settlers used. It's fun as well as a learning experience, so the trip is something we all look forward to."

But his love of adventure doesn't stop with Scout outings. This summer he tackled a 50-mile hike on the Appalachian Trail through the Shenandoah National Park near Charlottesville, Va. He planned a two-week trek but had to trim it down to a week because of a nagging ankle injury.

In addition to the solitude he found on the trail, he also kept his sense of humor. "You have to carry everything you need on your back. I found it interesting that you're walking along, entirely self-sufficient knowing that you have everything you need for the next two weeks. Even one day when it rained all day, I walked by myself and really enjoyed it. There are so many ups and downs on the trail, the planners must have said, oh, there's a hill, let's put the trail there ... They do like to keep challenging you."

On or off the trail, the Dzierzaks like to travel and they get in as much as they can. Ed still has family in the Chicago area and Debbie has family in Cincinnati and upstate New York, so these are trips they look forward to. And sometimes they take getaway jaunts just for fun.

After 31 years in Huntington, he's happy with his life here and life in general, he says. He's seen the city change, but it still retains the flavor of a small town in the 1970s, he believes. "There weren't large chains of stores and restaurants when I first moved here and now there are, but that's happening all over the country. Still I'd much rather live here; I'm not ever moving back to Chicago. As I said about traffic, I lived about the same distance from my home to my work in Chicago as I do here but there it took me an hour or sometimes more to travel between them and here it takes 10-15 minutes. We've raised our two sons here and it's been a good life."

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softball facility and the new Alumni Center and Foundation offices.

"It is an exciting time for Marshall University and the Marshall University Foundation," said Dr. Ron Area, CEO of the Marshall University Foundation. "The Bridge for the Future will help propel Marshall to a new level in academics, women's athletics and alumni relations with the construction of the three new facilities. In addition The Bridge for the Future will provide a facility which will increase the impact of the University and Foundation advancement team at a time when private funding is quickly becoming the lifeblood of our growing university."

The new Alumni Center and Foundation offices will serve as a home away from home for alumni. The center will also house the staffs of the foundation, Alumni Relations and the Development Office.

The College of Information Technology and Engineering Lab Facility (CITE Lab) is a 16,000-square-foot facility. It will play a critical role in both the education of a new generation of engineers and the accreditation necessary to ensure that Marshall's engineering graduates compete at the highest level.

The new softball complex will upgrade the university's women's softball facilities to make them among the finest in the eastern United States. The program has been very competitive in Conference USA, boasting all-conference players and All-Americans.

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The 3-D buildings serve a variety of functions. They can be viewed by prospective Marshall students who may be too far away for an actual visit. New buildings can be drawn up and placed on Google Earth to give an idea of what those buildings will ultimately look like.

The new student recreation center, residence halls and engineering lab, all of which are either under construction or will be soon, will be added to give everyone an idea of what is coming. People needing more information about where a campus is located can even reference it before visiting the campus in person.

The buildings were created using Google's free Sketchup software and they were uploaded to the Google Earth Warehouse. Now that they're uploaded, they are awaiting review and accuracy checking by Google. After the graphics are reviewed, they become part of the Google Earth application. Tolga Yalniz, another IT member, has recreated the MU Virtual Tour to include Google Earth.

Marshall Google Earth 3-D can be found at www.marshall/it/virtual-tour/google-earth-3d-tour/.